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1. THERE FOLLOWS IN PARA 2 THE REVISED DRAFT OF THE
LTDP PART OF THE SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE, WHICH THE DRAFTING
GROUP WILL DISCUSS ON AN INSTRUCTED BASIS ON MAY 25. WE
WILL PROVIDE COMMENT AND PROPOSED POSITION FOR THE
MAY 25 MEETING SEPTTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF LTDP PART OF COMMUNIQUE:

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LONG-TERM DEFENCE PROGRAMME

. 1. ON THE BASIS OF THE STUDY OF LONG-TERM TRENDS IN
EAST-WEST RELATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS AFFECTING WESTERN
SECURITY, LEADERS OF STATES TAKING PART IN THE INTEGRATED
DEFENCE STRUCTURE OF THE ALLIANCE CONSIDERED A REPORT ON
THE LONG-TERM DEFENCE PROGRAMME PREPARED BY THEIR DEFENCE

MINISTERS, WHICH HAD BEEN COMMISSIONED AT THE LONDON SUMMIT MEETING IN MAY 1977.

. 2. THEY NOTED WITH APPROVAL THAT EMPHASIS WAS PLACED IN THE LONG-TERM DEFENCE PROGRAMME ON GREATER CO-OPERATIVE EFFORTS, ON THE NEED FOR NATO CO-ORDINATED DEFENCE PLANNING TO BE PROJECTED INTO THE LONGER TERM, ON IMPROVEMENTS IN THE MILITARY PREPAREDNESS OF NATO'S DETERRENT AND DEFENSIVE FORCES AND ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF THEIR CAPABILITY TO REINFORCE IN A TIME OF CRISIS. THE LEADERS OF THESE STATES ENDORSED SPECIFIC PROGRAMMES APPROVED BY DEFENCE MINISTERS TO IMPROVE THE READINESS OF NATO'S FORCES, AND THE MOBILIZATION OF RESERVES, TO STRENGTHEN NATO'S AIR DEFENCES, TO COUNTER THE ELECTRONIC WARFARE THREAT, TO ENHANCE NATO'S MARITIME POSTURE, TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE LOGISTIC SUPPORT FOR ALL NATO FORCES, AND TO IMPROVE NATO'S COMMAND, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATIONS ARRANGEMENTS. THEY APPROVED PROGRAMMES DESIGNED TO ACCELERATE THE MOVEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT REINFORCEMENTS TO THE FORWARD AREAS, CALLING FOR THE COMMITMENT OF CIVIL AIR, SEA, LAND AND NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE RESOURCES; AND THEY WELCOMED IN PARTICULAR THE UNITED STATES INTENTION TO PREPOSITION HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR THREE ADDITIONAL UNITED STATES DIVISIONS IN THE CENTRAL REGION OF ALLIED COMMAND EUROPE BY 1982, WITH PROVISION BY EUROPEAN ALLIES OF THE NECESSARY FACILITIES. THEY ALSO WELCOMED THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE NUCLEAR PLANNING GROUP

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TOWARDS MEETING SHORT AND LONG-TERM NEEDS FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THEATRE NUCLEAR FORCES.

. 3. THE ALLIED LEADERS NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THAT ALMOST ALL COUNTRIES HAD INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO ADJUST THEIR FINANCIAL PLANS FOR DEFENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AIM, ESTABLISHED IN THE 1977 MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE, OF AN ANNUAL INCREASE IN DEFENCE EXPENDITURE IN THE REGION OF 3 PERCENT IN REAL TERMS. THEY ALSO STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF ACHIEVING THE MOST EFFECTIVE RETURN FROM RESOURCES MADE AVAILABLE OR PLANNED FOR DEFENCE, BY THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A GREATER DEGREE OF CO-OPERATION AND RATIONALIZATION; THEY WELCOMED THE EMPHASIS PLACED IN THE LONG-TERM DEFENCE PROGRAMME ON THIS OBJECTIVE.

. 4. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE LONG-TERM DEFENCE PROGRAMME, AS A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS ADAPTING NATO'S FORCES TO THE CHANGING NEEDS OF THE 1980S. THEY CALLED FOR VIGOROUS FOLLOW-THROUGH ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES AND AT NATO AND INTERNATIONAL MILITARY HEADQUARTERS, (BEGIN BRACKET) INCLUDING A STUDY ON STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY. (END

BRACKET). (BEGIN BRACKET) IN THIS CONNECTION TURKEY PREF-
ERRED TO WITHHOLD HER VIEWS ON THE LONG-TERM DEFENCE
PROGRAMME AS A WHOLE, PENDING THE OUTCOME OF THE INITIA-
TIVES REGARDING THE COMPLETE REMOVAL OF EXISTING RESTRIC-
TIONS ON THE PROCUREMENT OF DEFENCE EQUIPMENT BY TURKEY;
AS WELL AS CLARIFICATION OF THE READINESS OF HER ALLIES IN
CONTRIBUTING TO TURKEY'S EFFORTS FOR COMMON DEFENCE. (END
BRACKET).

. 5. IN TAKING THESE DECISIONS AND IN THE ABSENCE OF

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EQUITABLE ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT MEASURES, THE
ALLIED LEADERS CONCLUDED THAT A SATISFACTORY BALANCE IN
STRATEGIC, THEATRE NUCLEAR AND CONVENTIONAL TERMS COULD
ONLY BE ASSURED BY GREATER EFFORTS TO MODERNIZE AND
STRENGTHEN THE MILITARY CAPACITY OF THE ALLIANCE. THEY
STRESSED THAT THE MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY IS INDISPENSIBLE
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